

3 May 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS

THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group

SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Nicosia Bureau--April 1982

## I. GENERAL

April was an unseasonably heavy production month for Nicosia, with 625,000 words filed; all of the bureau's traditional "hot" areas were unusually active during the month, and we even became involved with coverage of the UK-Argentina crisis in the Falklands through our coverage of Europe and daytime coverage of Latin American from AFP.

During the month the bureau's attention was primarily focused on the final negotiations and developments leading up to Israel's final withdrawal from the Sinai on 25 April. The withdrawal went as scheduled, but not without problems from both Egypt and Israel. Israel made some last-minute demands on verifying Egypt's troop strength in the Sinai and on retaining part of the disputed town of Tabah. These problems were finally settled the night before the handover. Egyptian ceremonies marking the occasion were kept in a low key.

In Lebanon the situation continued to be tense throughout the month with all parties to the continuing internal war expressing fears over an anticipated large-scale Israeli invasion of the south, fears which partially materialized on 21 April when a reported force of 60 Israeli airplanes raided Palestinian positions in the south and in Beirut's southern suburb. Other than the usual statements of denunciation by Lebanese and Palestinian officials, no action has been taken as yet in response to the raids.

Closer to home in Nicosia, Cypriot President Kiprianou at midmonth announced his decision to run for the presidency again, a cabinet reshuffle and formation of an alliance with AKEL, the Communist Party. This set off shockwaves domestically and in Athens, where Prime Minister Papandreou reportedly expressed his government's dismay at not having been advised beforehand of these actions and fear that they could complicate resolution of the Cyprus issue. Papandreou's reaction, in turn, has evoked charges of Greek interference in Cyprus' domestic affairs.

## II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. A reception survey of Tunis Domestic Arabic for the 1000-2030 GMT period was carried out at BBC's request, because reception at Caversham was suffering from interference from other stations on frequencies too close to that of Tunis. Reception was found to be unreliable at Nicosia for the same reason, although checks continue.

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2. As of 3 April the clandestine Voice of Palestine radio expanded its broadcasts to sign on at 0400 GMT instead of 0500 GMT. The bureau sampled the radio during this hour and found no major newscasts or regularly scheduled or significant commentary programs, although we will arrange to cover that segment of the cast when warranted by the coverage situation.

3. Effective 6 April and extending at least through the summer months, Nicosia's sole Persian monitor will be working a split 0500-0900/1300-1700 GMT shift Tuesday-Saturday.

#### B. Lateral Services

1. At the request of BBC, the bureau assumed daily coverage of the Moscow in Greek 1500 and 1800 GMT casts 15 April-2 May.

2. The bureau has become the critic message fallback point for the Embassy in the event the Embassy is unable to use its own communications systems to send such a message.

3. At the request of the Embassy in Athens, the bureau texted a 7,000-word interview with Greek Prime Minister Papandreou by ABC Television correspondent David Brinkley published in the 22 April edition of the Athens newspaper ELEVTHEROTIPIA.

### III. ADMINISTRATION

#### A. Personnel

1. Trainee editor [ ] concluded his 3-month training program and departed Cyprus on 9 April. STAT

2. New teletypist [ ] EOD'ed on 26 April. STAT

### IV. VISITS

A. Former Ambassador to Cyprus Galen Stone paid an informal visit to the bureau on 27 April while on private travel on the island.

B. Turkish Analyst [ ] visited the bureau and was briefed on operations on 22 April. STAT

C. AG Branch Chief [ ] visited the bureau on 29 April while on private travel. STAT

D. Bureau chief [ ] TDY'ed in Washington, while attending the annual bureau chief's conference, 12-25 April. STAT  
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Nicosia Bureau Chief

#### Attachment:

A. Production Report

## NICOSIA BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR APRIL 1982

## I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

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TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	498,200
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	126,700
(WIREFILED PROGRAM SUMMARIES	54,700)
(FYI'S, ADMIN'S, SVC., CRUISING, ETC.	72,000)
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	1,331

BROAD-CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI-CATIONS
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## II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:

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(MINUTE OR ISSUES PER WEEK)	10,780	21,630	197
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## III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:

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(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

CHINA  
BEIJING IN  
    PERSIAN TO IRAN AND AFGHANISTAN      400

CLANDESTINE  
(CLANDESTINE) FREE VOICE OF IRAN IN  
    PERSIAN TO IRAN      12,200  
(CLANDESTINE) RADIO IRAN IN  
    PERSIAN TO IRAN      3,400  
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAN IN  
    PERSIAN      23,400  
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF PALESTINE IN  
    ARABIC      31,900

CYPRUS	
NICOSIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
ENGLISH	200
NICOSIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
GREEK	31,700
NICOSIA DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN	
GREEK	1,400
NICOSIA ALITHIA IN	
GREEK	800
NICOSIA BOZKURT IN	
TURKISH	0
NICOSIA CYPRUS MAIL IN	
ENGLISH	2,100
NICOSIA DHIMOKRATIA IN	
GREEK	0
NICOSIA ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN	
GREEK	5,200
NICOSIA HALKIN SESI IN	
TURKISH	0
NICOSIA I DHILINI IN	
GREEK	1,600
NICOSIA I DHIMOKRATIKI IN	
GREEK	0
NICOSIA I ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN	
GREEK	3,600
NICOSIA I SIMERINI IN	
GREEK	300
NICOSIA KHARAVYI IN	
GREEK	3,200
NICOSIA KIBRIS IN	
ENGLISH	0
NICOSIA O AGON IN	
GREEK	1,800
NICOSIA O AGON TIS DHEUTERAS IN	
GREEK	0
NICOSIA O ANEXARTITOS IN	
GREEK	0
NICOSIA O FILELEUTHEROS IN	
GREEK	1,400
NICOSIA O KIRIKAS IN	
GREEK	200
NICOSIA PRESS AND INFORMATION OFFICE IN	
ENGLISH	5,300

NICOSIA PRESS AND INFORMATION OFFICE IN	
GREEK	600
NICOSIA TA NEA IN	
GREEK	1,400
NICOSIA TO VIMA IN	
GREEK	0
EGYPT	
AIRO DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
ARABIC	45,500
AIRO MENA IN	
ARABIC	58,300
AIRO MENA IN	
ENGLISH	12,600
RANCE	
ARIS AFP IN	
ENGLISH	96,700
REECE	
THENS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
GREEK	10,100
THENS ARMED FORCES RADIO IN	
GREEK	5,400
THENS AKROPOLIS IN	
GREEK	200
THENS AURIANI IN	
GREEK	0
THENS ELEUTHEROS KOSMOS IN	
GREEK	700
THENS ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN	
GREEK	8,000
HENS EXORNISI IN	
GREEK	700
HENS I AUYI IN	
GREEK	0
HENS I KATHIMERINI IN	
GREEK	1,300
HENS KIRIAKATI KI ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN	
GREEK	1,100
HENS MESINURINI IN	
GREEK	1,600

ATHENS NEA PORIA IN	
GREEK	0
ATHENS NEWS IN	
ENGLISH	1,200
ATHENS RIZOSPASTIS IN	
GREEK	5,500
ATHENS TO VIMA IN	
GREEK	2,300

IRAQ	
BAGHDAD IN	
PERSIAN TO IRAN	2,500

LEBANON	
BEIRUT DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
ARABIC	41,100
BEIRUT VOICE OF LEBANON IN	
ARABIC	29,100
MARJ 'UYUN LEBANON VOICE OF HOPE IN	
ARABIC	5,300
MARJ 'UYUN LEBANON VOICE OF HOPE IN	
ENGLISH	700
BEIRUT MONDAY MORNING IN	
ENGLISH	22,100

LIBYA	
TRIPOLI DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
ARABIC	0

TURKEY	
ANKARA ARAYIS IN	
TURKISH	0
ANKARA YANKI IN	
TURKISH	0
ISTANBUL CUMHURIYET IN	
TURKISH	700
ISTANBUL DUNYA IN	
TURKISH	0
ISTANBUL GUNAYDIN IN	
TURKISH	1,100
ISTANBUL GUNES IN	
TURKISH	2,000

ISTANBUL HURRIYET IN TURKISH	2,700
ISTANBUL MILLIYET IN TURKISH	3,100
ISTANBUL TERCUMAN IN TURKISH	3,400
UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC	
MOSCOW IN	
GREEK TO CYPRUS	1,100